<u>DoD Fresh Produce Program</u> Timeline for School Year 2017-18

Basics of the Program Using USDA Foods Entitlement Dollars

- 1. **February 2017**: All School Food Authorities (SFA's) received the annual order packet regarding the details of the program.
- 2. **February 17, 2017 March 5, 2017**: SFA's entered entitlement dollar commitments on their annual order.
- 3. **August 2017**: Participating agencies entitlement dollar commitments will be entered into DoD's web-based Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Order Receipts System (**FFAVORS**). If your agency is new to the program, you must first obtain a User ID and password from USDA's eAuthentication (eAuth) System. Please follow the instructions on the DPI DoD website: http://dpi.wi.gov/school-nutrition/usda/dod-fresh regarding **eAuthorization Instructions**. Once you have an eAuth credentials you need to complete and forward to DoD the **FFAVORS Web Set-up Form** found on the DPI DoD website that will include your contact and delivery information.
- 4. After **September 1, 2017**; SFA's that allocated to DoD during the annual ordering period may begin to place fresh fruit and vegetable orders through FFAVORS.
- 5. For every order placed through DoD using entitlement dollars, the DoD web-based ordering system FFAVORS will maintain a "checkbook balance" and provide details on the total dollars allocated, spent and remaining.
- 6. For every order placed through DoD using entitlement dollars, the bill is sent to and paid directly by USDA (i.e. you will not be invoiced for this produce).
- 7. In **December 2017**, DPI will assess the entitlement expenditures for all participating agencies. DPI will send a reminder email notice to SFAs that have significant balances, little activity and/or non-activity. **Please Note: The commitment of entitlement dollars to this program is a yearly commitment. Any unused entitlement dollars will be lost at the end of the school year.**
- 8. In March 2018, DPI will again assess the entitlement expenditures for all participating agencies. DPI reserves the right to re-allocate entitlement commitment from SFAs that have significant balances, little activity and/or non-activity. DPI will notify affected agencies regarding the re-allocation and will re-distribute accumulated funds to interested SFAs on a fair-share basis, by end of April 2018.

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